



**COO OF OWENS & MINOR NAMED AS CHAIR OF THE**  
**48<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL HUMANITARIAN AWARDS DINNER**

Richmond VA, 26 August 2010 - The Richmond Chapter of the Virginia Center for Inclusive Communities has announced that **Charlie Colpo** will serve as the dinner chair for the 48<sup>th</sup> Annual Humanitarian Awards Dinner to be held on Monday, November 1, 2010, at the Richmond Marriott downtown. Mr. Colpo, Executive Vice President & Chief Operating Officer of Owens & Minor, Inc., will assume the leadership role in honoring individuals who have made significant humanitarian contributions to the greater Richmond community.

A 29-year veteran of the company, Mr. Colpo has wide-ranging oversight of operations at Owens & Minor, a FORTUNE 500 company and one of FORTUNE'S "Most Admired Companies." After joining the company in 1981, Mr. Colpo worked in a variety of positions at Owens & Minor, including 18 years in the corporate office and 10 years in the field. He was named Executive Vice President, Administration in 2006, upon the successful transition of a major acquisition, and was named EVP & Chief Operating Officer in 2010.

Additionally, Mr. Colpo serves his industry and community in volunteer efforts. He is a member of the board of directors of HIDA, the Health Industry Distributors Association. In addition, he is a member of the board of directors of Strategic Marketplace Initiative (SMI), a collaborative organization of leaders from Integrated Delivery Networks, Suppliers, Providers and Distributors. A graduate of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Mr. Colpo is from Lynchburg, Virginia. He currently lives in Richmond, Virginia.

The Virginia Center for Inclusive Communities conducts programs that promote understanding and respect on ALL issues of diversity, for ALL age groups, ALL across Virginia. Each year, Inclusive Communities leads educational programs, conferences, retreats, and workshops for thousands of youth, educators, community members, non-profit organizations, and corporate and business leaders. The 75-year-old organization delivers programs to educators and students in Chesterfield County, Hanover County, Henrico County, Powhatan County, and Richmond City Public Schools. Additionally, programs are offered to Leadership Metro Richmond, Partnership for the Future, the University of Richmond, and many other local institutions and organizations.

For more information about the organization or the event, contact Jonathan Zur, CEO, or the staff at 804-515-7950.

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